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FM AMEMBASSY PARIS

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 1037

INFO AMEMBASSY SAIGON

AMEMBASSY TOKYO

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E. O. 11652 GDS

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SUBJECT: JAPANESE NEGOTIATIONS WITH DRV

REF: A) PARIS 14230; B) TOKYO 7462

1. PRIOR TO RECEIPT OF REF. B, JAPANESE EMBASSY OFFICER (IMAGAWA) TOLD EMBOFF THAT HIS EMBASSY HERE HAD RECEIVED NO INFORMATION FROM TOKYO CONCERNING GOJ' S NEXT MOVES
VIS- A- VIS
THE DRV. HE SAID JAPANESE EMBASSY HAD RECEIVED NO COMMUNICATIONS TO DISPROVE OR CORROBORATE THE PRESS REPORTS (CITING GAIMUSHO SOURCES) THAT JAPANESE NEGOTIATIONS WITH THE DRV WOULD BEGIN IN PARIS IN JULY AND RECOGNITION WOULD BE ACCORDED IN EARLY AUTUM. HE BELEIVED THAT SUCH INFORMATION WAS PURELY SPECULATION, PERHAPS BASED ON GENERAL REMARKS BY SOME OFFICIALS THAT JAPAN WAS STUDYING RECOGNITION QUESTION. IMAGAWA SAID THAT HIS EMBASSY WAS STILL OPERATING ON THE ASSUMPTION THAT THE GOJ WOULD STUDY THE RESULTS OF THE KISSINGER/ THO TALKS AND THEN CONSULT WITH THE USG ABOUT THE TIMING OF THE NEXT STEP IN THEIR CONTACTS WITH THE DRV. IMAGAWA SAID THAT ACCORDING TO THE LAST INFORMATION HE HAD SEEN, THE GOJ WAS STILL IN NO HURRY TO MOVE ON RECOGNITION AND
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MERELY WISHED TO DISARM CRITICS WHO COMPLAINED OF LDP
PARTIALLY FOR THE GVN. IMAGAWA NOTED THAT THE DEPARTURE
FOR GENEVA POST OF THE PRINCIPAL GAIMUSHO EXPERT (MIYAKE,
FORMER SEA CHIEF) MIGHT SLOW THE GOJ' S REACTION.
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